

# Child Care

## What does this appropriation support?

The Purchase of Child Care program provides subsidies for low-income working families to assist with the purchase of child care and programs to improve the quality and availability of early childhood care and education in Missouri.

## What are the expenditures?

	FY 2003 Actual	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Planned
GR	\$44,516,350	\$57,532,991	\$57,532,991	\$68,692,713
FEDERAL	\$104,020,525	\$106,189,001	\$106,628,011	\$106,571,422
OTHER	\$27,888,061	\$13,306,465	\$14,144,666	\$14,461,052
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$176,424,936</b>	<b>\$177,028,457</b>	<b>\$178,305,668</b>	<b>\$189,725,187</b>

## What is the authorization for this program?

State statute: RSMo. 208.044, 313.835; Federal regulation: 45 CFR 98.10

## What are the sources of other funds?

Early Childhood Development Education and Care Fund

## Is this a federally mandated program? No.

## Who is eligible?

## Are there federal matching requirements?

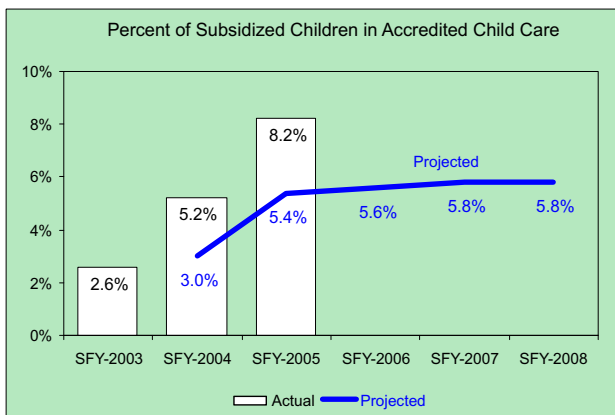
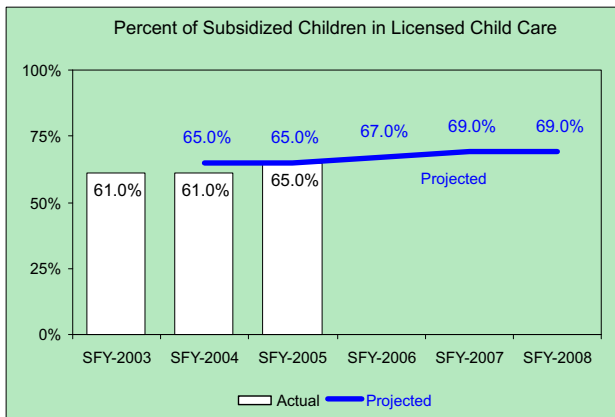
For child care:

Yes. The federal CCDF block grant funds subsidy and quality subsidy supports. This block grant is broken down into three types of funding: mandatory, discretionary and matching. To receive mandatory funding, a state must maintain a certain level of state funding commitment - a Maintenance of Effort (MOE). Expenditures in the Purchase of Child Care program help to meet this MOE requirement.

- Under federal guidelines, children under 13 in families with income below 85% of the state median income, however, Missouri families are eligible below 35% of the state median income or below 112% of poverty.
- Parents must be working, attending job training or educational programs.

## Efficiency and Effectiveness Measures:

For Early Childhood Development Education and Care Fund Grant programs:



- Early Head Start - provides comprehensive services for families with children ages birth to 3 with family incomes under 100% FPL.
- Accreditation - provides accreditation facilitation services and incentives for child care providers seeking accreditation by a state or nationally recognized accrediting organization.
- Start Up/Expansion Grants - provides grants to start up or expand quality child care programs serving children birth to age 3 and serving a minimum of 25% DSS subsidized children.
- Stay at Home Parent - provides parental access to early learning opportunities for families with children under age 3 and household incomes under 185% FPL.

## How many people are served?

